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The mission of the *Road to Independence, Success, and Excellence* program, better known as **RISE**, is to increase the graduation rate of students using the Florida Department of Children and Families Tuition and Fee Exemption and students using the Homeless Fee Exemption, as well as to enhance their overall academic experience.

The RISE program is housed at the St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus but serves all 11 SPC locations.



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Road to Independence, Success, and Excellence (RISE) was established at St. Petersburg College in Fall 2020. Serving all eleven campuses and centers, the purpose of RISE is to increase the enrollment and retention rates of students utilizing the Department of Children and Family (DCF) Tuition and Fee Exemption waiver and to support students who are experiencing or facing homelessness. RISE also seeks to enhance the overall experience of students using these waivers through advocacy, mentorship, extracurricular opportunities, and streamlined connections to resources.

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